

Dreissena rostriformis bugensis

Quagga mussel

General

- 1. Sedentary in mature form, planktonic as immature velligers
- 2. Occurs in estuarine habitats, lakes, watercourses

Geography and Habitat

- . Native: Dneiper River drainage of Ukraine and Ponto-Caspian Sea
- Habitats
 - Aquatic habitats with natural hard substrata including rocks, wood, macrophytic plants; man-made materials also serve as suitable substrate
 - Sort sediment is suitable for the "profunda" form
 - Capable of colonizing surfaces at greater depths than Zebra mussels (*D. polymorpha*)





http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=95

Invasion Pathways

1. Ballast water discharge containing velligers

Sources

- 1. http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=95
- 2. http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.asp?si=918&fr=1&sts=sss&lang=EN